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Dear Ms. Caton:

Please accept this correspondence as a request from Verizon North Inc. ("Verizon") to provide a copy of the entire filing made by Verizon's predecessor company, GTE North Incorporated, in compliance with a Commission Order in Docket 97-0515 (entered May 6, 1998). The subject filing was made to the Commission pursuant to a letter dated November 5, 1998 (the November 5th filing"). For your convenience, I have attached a copy of the subject letter.

Much of the information contained in the November 5th filing was marked "Proprietary" or "Confidential". As such, I am making this request to release a copy of this information to my office. As you may be aware, I am an officer of Verizon and am submitting this request pursuant to the protocol set forth by Mr. Patrick Foster of the Commission's Office of General Counsel. Accordingly, at your earliest convenience, please send a copy of the November 5th filing to my mailing address set forth above.

In the event you have any questions, please call.

Very truly yours,

James R Hargrave

Assistant Vice President-

Public Policy & External Affairs

Subscribed and sworn to me This 15 day of October, 2001

Notary Public

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My Commission Expires 8/6/02